THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

(d) There has been no security lapse, which could have resulted in theft of documents.

(e) The security environment in all the premises of Ministry of External Affairs is constantly monitored. Steps to further, and constantly improve the security measures is a continuous process.

New code to check cyber crimes

183. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the IT Act, 2000 and Indian Penal Code together are not sufficient to take care of all kinds of cyber crimes;

(b) if so, whether it is necessary to enact a new code for this purpose to supplement existing laws;

(c) if so, whether Government would bring a code for controlling cyber crimes; and

(d) if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN): (a) to (d) Existing forms of cyber crimes are covered under the penal provisions of the IT Act and the Indian Penal Code. There is no proposal for further legislation in this regard.